In regard to the levy of cess, the work was undertaken originally at the request of the ryots who were benefited by it. It cost over Rs. 13,400 and it is only reasonable that they should pay some little thing by way of cess towards the cost of the work taken up and done expressly at their request.

The question of new public offices at Mavelikara will be considered.

The Chief Engineer has received an estimate for Rs. 32,000 for a bridge at Arattukadavu and he is now scrutinising it.

Then you want the road metalled from the Valiaperumpuzhakadavu to Mannar.

MEMBER: Yes.

DEWAN: Does this road run parallel with the Tiruvalla–Mavelikara road?

MEMBER: The distance is only three miles.

DEWAN: I shall ask the Chief Engineer to send up a map showing the direction of this road in relation to other roads.

MEMBER: This road goes in the direction of Mavelikara, Tattarampalam etc.

DEWAN: As regards the Vishavaidyasala, that is a matter for the Mavelikara municipality.

The question of a District Court at Mavelikara will be taken up by the High Court with the general scheme under their consideration for the redistribution of the territorial jurisdiction of courts in Travancore.

The District Magistrate is still of opinion that a Magistrate's court at Mavelikara is not called for especially as it has a Bench Court recently established there.

You want to have a separate member of Council for Mavelikara. In that case Kartikapalli will go without a member because the number of members is fixed by rule and cannot be raised beyond fifty. As the Council stands constituted at present, it will not be possible.

98. Needs of the Mavelikara taluk.

MR. G. K. MADHAVAN UNNITHAN (*Member, Municipal Council, Mavelikara*) dealt with the following needs of the Mavelikara taluk :—

(1) A lady doctor, two European nurses and an additional clerk should be appointed in the District Hospital, Mavelikara, and it should be made a first grade hospital.

(2) The Thodiyil canal running from the Arattukadavu at Mavelikara to the Thodiyil kayal should be widened and deepened. If improved, the canal would irrigate extensive areas of paddy fields. The Vettiyar canal and the Karingali canal should also be improved.

(3) A hostel should be attached to the Government High School at Mavelikara.

(4) The Public Offices in the taluk should be removed to the site which Government had acquired at immense cost and which was lying waste now.

(5) The site which Government had acquired for putting up a building for the girls' school at Puthiakavu had been turned into a hot bed of filth. The foundation of a building had been raised on the site, but nothing more was done. The site should be made use of either for the girls' school or for any other purpose.

(6) A veterinary hospital should be opened at Onattukara.

(7) More control should be exercised over motor traffic. More traffic inspectors should be appointed. Schools should be opened by Government at important centres for teaching motor driving and licences should be issued only for candidates qualifying from these institutions. Candidates who had passed the V. S. L. C. examination or who had studied up to form IV should alone be admitted into these schools.

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Both drivers and owners of motor vehicles should be required to deposit a security not less than Rs. 250. Motor fares should be standardised. The speed limit of motor vehicles should be strictly regulated.

DEWAN'S REPLY: Mr. Madhavan Unnithan, an estimate for deepening the Arattukadavu-Todiyil canal has been sent up by the Divisional Officer. There are some points in it to be cleared up and it has gone back to be revised.

In regard to Vettiyar canal there is an estimate which provides for draining the Punja fields which are about 400 acres. This could be effected by deepening the Vettiyar todu which is badly silted up. Government want to know whether the ryots benefited by this would be prepared to pay a small cess. This question is now pending with the Land Revenue Commissioner.

An estimate for Rs. 10,000 for improving Karangalichal canal has been sanctioned and the Chief Engineer reports that the work will be taken up soon.

Government have sanctioned a new building for a school at a cost not exceeding Rs. 30,000 on the foundation laid some time ago. The estimate for the new building is being awaited.

More important than a hostel is the new high school building for boys.

The Administrative Board is going to consider the member's representation about a hospital.

In regard to a veterinary hospital at Mavelikara there is a recommendation from the Director of Agriculture now before the Government for opening a veterinary hospital at Kayancolam and that will serve Mavelikara as well.

The member's suggestion in regard to tolls on motor traffic will be communicated to the Commissioner of Police for expression of his views.

99. Needs of the Mavelikara municipality.

MR. G. K. MADHAVAN UNNITHAN (*Member, Municipal Council, Mavelikara*) dealt with the following needs of the municipal council, Mavelikara:—

(1) The road from the Tazhakara bridge to the local hospital should be widened.

(2) The foot-path from Mavelikara to the Kayancolam-Tattarampalam road *via*. Kochikkal bridge should be metalled. This was an easy short cut from the Kayancolam-Tattarampalam road to Mavelikara town. It would be of great use to the school boys coming from Kannamangalam and other places to Mavelikara. A portion of the motor traffic through the town could also be diverted through this road.

(3) Latrines should be provided for the Training School, the Primary School and the Special School at Mavelikara.

(4) Liquor shops should be removed from within municipal limits.

(5) Tolls should be instituted within municipal limits.

(6) The following tanks should be repaired: Valiyakulam, Vellurkulam, Kattukulam and Kottakulam.

The last tank, if it could not be repaired, should be registered away to the neighbouring land-holders.

DEWAN'S REPLY: Mr. G. K. Madhavan Unnithan, as regards the widening of the public road at Thazhakara, some useful widening has already been done to the roads and lanes. If there is anything further to be done I hope you will move the municipality.

In regard to the metalling of the village road from Kochikal bridge to Panachamoodu deviating from the Kayancolam-Tattarampalam road, it is not a through road and there is very little traffic and it is hardly justifiable that Government should incur an expenditure on metalling and repairing it.

In regard to the improvement of the tanks in the municipality that is a matter for the municipality.

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